



## STRAIGHT A'S COMPROMISE AMENDMENT (DeMint)

- The U.S. Department of Education estimates that it takes approximately 48.6 million paperwork hours—the equivalent of almost 25,000 employees working 40 hours a week for a full year—to complete the paperwork involved in administering federal education programs.
- The U.S. Department of Education had 4,614 full-time employees as of January 2001.

### **IT'S VOLUNTARY**

No state will be forced to sign up for the Straight A's flexibility.

No school district will be forced to sign up for Straight A's flexibility.

7 States and 25 districts may apply for the Straight A's flexibility under the DeMint Straight A's Compromise, if they would like some flexibility from federal regulations and paperwork. It's a first-come first-serve program.

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### **THE FLEXIBILITY ADDS UP**

Approximately \$19.255 billion in FY02 funding (out of the \$23 billion in H.R. 1) would be flexible if the Straight A's in the introduced version of H.R. 1 were offered to all 50 states. The compromise amendment limits the flexibility to 7 states and 25 districts.

Total flexibility from the 6 categories of eligible programs in the DeMint Amendment (pg 24):

(1) TOTAL FY02	Portions of Title I	= \$12.035 billion
(2) TOTAL FY02	Portions of Teachers	= approx. \$3.585 billion
(3) TOTAL FY02	Portions of Limited English/Immigrant Ed	= \$750 million
(4) TOTAL FY02	Portions of Innovative Ed.	= \$450 million
(5) TOTAL FY02	Portions of Safe & Drug Free/Technology	= \$2.435 billion
(6) TOTAL FY02	New programs enacted after HR1	= \$0 (so far)

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**GRAND TOTAL** = approx. **\$19.255 billion**

**\$19 Billion could be sent home to the States  
without many of the current federal paperwork requirements**